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C O N F I D E N T I A L YAOUNDE 521

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, CM

SUBJECT: SALE OF 81 MM MORTARS BY REPUBLIC OF KOREA TO CAMEROON

REF: STATE 299595

1. UPON RECEIPT REFTEL, EMBASSY SENT NOTE VERBALE TO GURC FONMIN REQUESTING STANDARD THIRD-PARTY TRANSFER ASSURANCES IN WRITING AS PER PARA 3 REFTEL.

2. FONMIN HAS NOW REPLIED WITH NOTE WHICH GIVES SUBSTANCE OF REQUESTED ASSURANCES, BUT IN SOMEWHAT DIFFERENT FORM. IN ESSENCE, FONMIN NOTE INFORMS EMBASSY THAT GURC CONCLUDED CONTRACT ON JANUARY 11, 1975, WITH AMERICAN COMPANY, NAPCO ORDNANCE DIVISION, FOR SUPPLY OF FULLY EQUIPPED COMMANDO VEHICLES, AND GURC NOT INVOLVED WITH NAPCO SUB-CONTRACTORS OR ARMAMENTS SUPPLIERS. FOR PREVIOUS ARMS CONTRACTS, GURC MINISTER OF ARMED FORCES ALWAYS FURNISHED SUPPLIER WITH CERTIFICATE OF FINAL DESTINATION CERTIFYING NON-REEXPORT, AND SUPPLIER OBTAINED NECESSARY AUTHORIZATIONS FROM HIS GOVERNMENT. IN ORDER NOT TO DELAY DELIVERY OF V-150 COMMANDO VEHICLES, HOWEVER, MINISTRY OF ARMED FORCES HAS SENT FOREIGN MINISTRY, FOR TRANSMITTAL TO AMERICAN AUTHORITIES, CERTIFICATE OF FINAL DESTINATION COVERING ALL ARMAMENTS INCLUDED IN CONTRACT IN QUESTION. "BY THIS CERTIFICATE OF FINAL DESTINATION, THE MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF ARMED FORCES GIVES ASSURANCES IN GURC'S NAME THAT THE MORTARS

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WHICH HE CONTEMPLATES BUYING WILL NOT BE RE-EXPORTED WITH-

OUT WRITTEN PERMISSION FROM USG." FONMIN HOPES THIS
FORMULATION ACCEPTABLE TO STATE DEPARTMENT.

3. CERTIFICATE OF FINAL DESTINATION FORWARDED UNDER COVER
FOREGOING NOTE IS MIMEOGRAPHED AND CONTAINS SIGNATURE
(FROM STENCIL) OF MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF ARMED
FORCES SADOU DAOUDOU, PLUS RUBBER STAMPED MINISTRY SEAL.
EMBASSY'S INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF FRENCH-LANGUAGE TEXT
FOLLOWS: QUOTE I THE UNDER SIGNED, EL HADJ SADOU DAOUDOU,
MINISTER OF STATE IN CHARGE OF THE ARMED FORCES, ATTEST IN
THE NAME OF MY GOVERNMENT THAT THE ARMAMENTS LISTED
HEREAFTER, OBJECT OF CONTRACT NUMBER 171,GG/BE/74/75 OF
11 JANUARY 1975, ENTERED INTO WITH THE COMPANY NAPCO ORDNANCE
DIVISION, POST OFFICE BOX 570, MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA 55440,
USA, DESIGNED TO EQUIP V-150 CADILLAC GAGE COMMANDO
VEHICLES, NAMELY,

51 7.62 NATO MACHINE GUNS

6 50 CAL MACHINE GUNS

6 90 MM MERCAR GUNS

9 20 MM OERLIKON GUNS

3 81 MM MORTARS

ARE DESTINED FOR THE EQUIPMENT OF THE NATIONAL
ARMED FORCES AND WILL NOT BE RE-EXPORTED WITHOUT THE
WRITTEN AGREEMENT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA. END QUOTE

4. EMBASSY TRANSMITTING GURC FONMIN NOTE PLUS ITS
ENCLOSED CERTIFICATE OF FINAL DESTINATION TO
DEPARTMENT, ATTENTION PM/SAS, BY CLASSIFIED POUCH
DEPARTING YAOUNDE FEB 10. EMBASSY HOPES THAT
ASSURANCES IN FORM SUPPLIED ARE ADEQUATE. PLEASE
ADVISE.
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